



AKRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BUCHTEL/PERKINS COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER

ROLL-UP SLEEVES MEETING #1

Tuesday, January 29, 2008 @ 3:45 p.m. at Buchtel High School Media Center

In Attendance

F. Herr	APS
M. Salopek	GPD
J. Peterson	GPD
S. Madison	RPM Intl

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Attendees

D. James.....	APS
P. Flesher.....	APS
K. Balchak	APS
T. Long.....	City of Akron
L. Duncan	City of Akron
M. Moore.....	City of Akron
D. Krutz.....	RKPS
F. Cheatem.....	Perkins Middle School Principal
D. Houchins	Buchtel High School Principal

The following is a review of items discussed at the meeting:

- J. Peterson stated that the new combined Buchtel/Perkins HS/MS is programmed for 1,150 7th – 12th grade students. The 7th – 8th grade Middle School will accommodate 350 students. The 9th – 12th grade High School will accommodate 640 students and the Career Technology Program will accommodate 160 students.
- The new school will be approximately 213,000 g.s.f. and is currently scheduled to open in 2012. Any square footage over the 189,169 s.f. will be funded locally. The square footage is based on the projected student population and the population is determined by the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) population trends. These trends are reviewed every 2 years.
 - The OSFC will not fund an auditorium. However, APS is considering building a new Auditorium or renovating the existing auditorium. The cost for the new or renovated Auditorium will be a locally funded initiative (LFI)
 - APS is funding additional Special Education and Community spaces.



- The students at Buchtel will move into the swing space at Central Hower prior to the demolition of Buchtel HS.
- J. Peterson distributed the preliminary POR and Programming diagrams and reviewed the allocated spaces. During the review of the spaces, the following was discussed:
 - There are currently 6 science labs and only 5 are programmed for the new building.
 - Additional space is needed for the storage of chemicals in the Science Labs. The spaces could be divided differently to accommodate additional storage.
 - Additional storage space is requested for the Auto Technology Program.
 - Separate changing facilities for boys and girls are needed for the Auto Technology Program.
 - The classrooms are designed to accommodate 25 students.
 - Special attention was requested for the separation of the middle school and high school students for the shared Music and Cafeteria spaces. There was a concern that scheduling may not provide adequate separation.
 - Two sets of administrative staffs should be accommodated, one for the middle school and one for the high school.
 - There was a concern for staff parking and security. A request was made for a gated parking lot. A request was made for card swipe entrances.
 - The current Nursing Program at Buchtel is not accommodated in the Career Technology Program.
 - Buchtel currently has 2 Art Rooms. The POR only has 1 Art Room programmed.
 - A divider for the Gymnasium was requested to accommodate separate classes for boys and girls.
 - At present, both Gymnasiums at Buchtel will be demolished. APS is reviewing whether the newer Gymnasium could be renovated. However, if the existing Gym is renovated and a new one built, the cost to renovate the existing Gym will be locally funded. The OSFC will not fund both the renovation of the existing Gym and the cost of a new Gym.
 - The Program of Requirements (POR) is due at the end of March.
 - Staff toilets should be scattered around the building and not located in one area.
 - Funds have not been allocated for ball field improvements. Any improvement would be locally funded. The intent is to keep the existing ball fields and not build on them.



- The number of floors in the building has not been determined. The intent is not to have more than 3 floors.
- The beginning and end of the school day will most likely be staggered for the middle school and high school.
- The Middle School and High School academic areas will be separated by wings.
- The Middle School and High School students may have separate entrances into the Cafeteria. The Middle School and High School students likely will be scheduled to use the Cafeteria during different periods of the day. The cafeteria is sized to accommodate 1/3rd of the student population at one time. APS is reviewing scheduling 4 periods per day for lunch – 2 for Middle School and 2 for High School.
- Information Technology is not programmed in the proposed POR. A request was made for APS and Design Team to tour the Information Technology spaces.
- There are currently 3 teachers for the Early Childhood Education Program (ECE) and only 1 ECE classroom programmed.
- The Business Education program needs space for selling spirit wear.
- At the Middle School, there are currently 15 teachers and the POR only has 12 classrooms. The traveling teachers may have to share classrooms.
- Dedicated computer labs are needed. Buchtel currently has 2 dedicated computer labs with 30 computers each. These labs are used all day.
- The size of the students should be considered in the design of the classrooms.
- The Family and Consumer Science classrooms will have kitchen equipment, computers and sewing machines.
- A request was made to be involved in the scheduling of the lunch periods. The concern was for the accommodation of students with diabetes.
- There was a concern for the number of serving lines in the cafeteria to accommodate the number of students in one lunch period. This will be reviewed by the Kitchen Consultant and Child Nutrition.
- J. Peterson stated that a space utilization schedule will be developed to determine the efficient use of the programmed spaces as well as determine if the POR is adequate for the projected needs of the student population.
- The design should provide a way to control the mixture of Middle School and High School students. The separation of the academic wings, the use of separate entrances, scheduling and staff was discussed to provide control.
- The new building will be handicapped accessible. An elevator will be provided. It will be used by staff and special needs students. The elevator will be key-operated.



- The Community Kitchen is a 100% locally funded programmed space. The Health Department mandates that the Public not use the Cafeteria's main Kitchen.
 - The Clinic currently is a shared space. The mixture of the Middle School/High School students is controlled by its location within the Administrative Office area.
 - The Music spaces are shared. The mixture of Middle School/High School students is controlled by scheduling.
 - A concern was voiced regarding the effectiveness of scheduling to separate the Middle School and High School students as well as for the scheduling conflicts that will occur for the usage of the Auditorium and Music rooms for the various school programs.
 - The new building will be air-conditioned.
 - It was stated that Community members expressed in a PTA meeting that the Middle School and High School maintain separate identities.
 - There was a concern regarding the number of wrestling rooms provided to accommodate the Middle School and High School programs currently in place.
- J. Peterson asked that the attendees review the programmed spaces and submit any additional concerns or questions to the Principal who will forward them to Mr. Fred Herr at APS.
 - The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2008 at 4:30 p.m. at Buchtel High School LRC.

The preceding is GPD's/RPMI's interpretation of the meeting. Any changes, additions, or clarifications should be forwarded to our office as soon as possible. Unless these changes are furnished within ten (10) working days, it will be understood that all parties are in agreement with the preceding statements.